



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Mintz ) Attorney Reference: 25165-3  
Serial No.: 10/698,538 )  
Filing Date: 10/31/2003 ) Examiner: Not assigned  
Title: DECENTRALIZED CONTROL OF ) Confirmation No.: 9926  
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**PETITION TO AFFORD A FILING DATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.10 AND RESPONSE TO  
NOTICE OF OMITTED ITEM(S) IN A NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION FILED  
UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)**

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Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully petition for the above listed application to be afforded the filing date of October 31, 2003 which is currently a provisional filing date.

Enclosed are the following:

- a) Copy of NOTICE OF OMITTED ITEM(S) IN A NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION;
  - b) Copy of specification as filed including:
    - Utility Patent Application Transmittal with certificate under 37 CFR 1.10;
    - Specification having 26 pages and four sheets of formal drawings;
    - Declaration and Power of Attorney;
    - Recordation Form and assignment;
    - Postcard indicating a stamp from the USPTO with a date of 10/31/03; and

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- c) Preliminary amendment;
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- e) Authorization is granted for the Commissioner to charge \$130.00 petition fee to Deposit Account No. 08-0719.

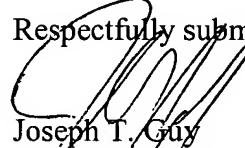
The specification indicated Figures 1a-b were included. Upon review the specification contained a typographical error wherein Figure 1a and Figure 1b should refer to Figure 1 and Figure 2 respectively. This is corrected by the preliminary amendment filed herewith.

All drawings were included in the application as filed. There were no omitted items thereby rendering the necessity for a petition improper.

Applicants respectfully petition for a refund of the petition fee.

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